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Falls Village, Conn.

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Quantity		Total
	Ambrosia	.15
	Angelica	.25
	Angelica, Wild	.25
	Anise	.15
	Anise-Hyssop	.20
	Lemon Balm	.25
	Sweet Basil	.10
	Lettuce-leaf Basil	.15
	Bush Basil	.25
	Purple Basil	.15
	Purple Bush Basil	.25
	Lemon Basil	.25
	Sacred Basil	.15
	Wild Bergamot	.15
	Borage	.15
	Salad Burnet	.15
	Calendula	.15
	Caraway	.10
	Catnip	.15
	Celandine	.15
	Chamomile	.20
	Chervil	.25
	Chives	.15
	Siberian Chives	.25
	Sweet Cicely	.25
	Coriander	.10
	Cress, Water	.25
	Dill	.10
	Elecampane	.25
	Fennel Flower	.25
	Florence Fennel	.10
	Fennel, Sweet	.25
	Flax	.15
	Blue Flax	.20
	Horehound	.15
	Blue Hyssop	.15
	Pink Hyssop	.15
	White Hyssop	.25

Quantity	Amount brought forward	Total
	Lamb's Ears	.25
	Lavender	.25
	Leek	.10
	Lovage	.25
	Sweet Marjoram	.10
	Wild Marjoram	.10
	Mignonette	.20
	Mountain Mint	.25
	Mugwort	.25
	Nept	.25
	Curly Parsley	.10
	Flat-leaved Parsley	.10
	English Pennyroyal	.25
	Perilla	.15
	Roquette	.15
	Rue	.25
	Safflower	.15
	Sage	.10
	Clary Sage	.25
	Summer Savory	.10
	Winter Savory	.25
	Sesame	.10
	Skirret	.25
	Smallage	.15
	Spotted Monarda	.25
	French Sorrel	.15
	English Thyme	.15
	French Thyme	.25
	Tansy	.15
	Woad	.20
	Sweet Wormwood	.25
	Annual Garden	1.00
	Wormwood	.25
	Perennial Garden	1.00
	Fragrant Garden	1.00
	Herb Seed Potpourri	.25
		Total

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## 1947 SEED LIST

Ambrosia, Oak-leaf Geranium—*Chenopodium botrys*. An easily grown sweet-scented annual with feathery plumes of golden green blossoms which make a graceful background for bouquets. 18 in. Sun. 15c pkt.

Angelica—*Angelica archangelica*. A stately biennial with white umbelliferous flowers and succulent hollow stems which are candied for confectionery. 25c pkt.

Angelica, Wild—*Angelica atropurpurea*. A native variety with purplish stems of similar flavor. 5 ft. Shade. 25c pkt.

Anise—*Pimpinella anisum*. A dainty annual with lacy white umbels followed by aromatic grey seeds. 18 in. Full sun. 15c pkt.

Anise-Hyssop—*Agastache anethiodora*. Tall, blue-flowered perennial bee plant suitable for an ornamental garden. Seed should be sown in early spring or late fall, seedlings shaded while young. 3 ft. Sun or part shade. 20c pkt.

Lemon Balm—*Melissa officinalis*. Sweet old-fashioned hardy perennial with lemony fragrance. Leaves used in herb tea and sachets. Sun or shade. 2½ ft. 25c pkt.

Sweet Basil—*Ocimum basilicum*. Bright green, glabrous leaves on square branching stems. Whole plant has warm clove-like flavor indispensable to salads and tomato dishes. 2 ft. Full sun. Annual. 10c pkt.

Lettuce-leaf Basil—A larger variety with broad crisped leaves, good flavor, especially suited for drying. 2½ ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

Bush Basil—*Ocimum minimum*. Forms a verdant mound of miniature leaves adrift with snowy blossoms in midsummer. Perfect edging plant. 12 in. Sun. 25c pkt.

Purple Basil—*Ocimum basilicum purpureum*. Handsome deep purple foliage and pink flowers similar to Sweet Basil. 2 ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

Purple Bush Basil—A dwarf form of Purple Basil less than a foot tall. 25c pkt.

Lemon Basil—A recent introduction from Thailand with distinctly lemon-flavored leaves. 2 ft. Full sun. 25c pkt.

Sacred Basil—*Ocimum sanctum*. Strongly scented, rather hairy form, considered a sacred plant in India. 18 in. Sun. 15c pkt.

Wild Bergamot—*Monarda fistulosa*. Showy perennial with lavender flowers and fragrant foliage similar to the red Bergamot or Bee Balm. Easy to grow from seed and does not spread as rankly as the cultivated species. 3 ft. Sun or part shade. 15c pkt.

Borage—*Borago officinalis*. Annual with heavenly-blue star-shaped flowers nodding in glistening racemes above rather hairy cucumber-flavored foliage. 2½ ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

Salad Burnet—*Sanguisorba minor*. A perennial with almost evergreen rosettes of picot-edged leaves which taste exactly like cucumber in salad. 2 ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

Calendula, Pot Marigold—*Calendula officinalis*. A single flowered form of the popular yellow annual, the petals are used to color puddings and sauces. 18 in. Sun. 15c pkt.

Caraway—*Carum carvi*. Biennial with carrot-like leaves and umbels of small white blossoms. Light brown seeds are source of the flavor. 2½ ft. Sun. 10c pkt.

Catnip—*Nepeta Cataria*. Velvety, heart-shaped leaved perennial strongly attractive to cats. Mildly sedative tea made from leaves. 2½ ft. Sun or shade. 15c pkt.

Celandine—*Cheladonium majus*. A hardy biennial once used medicinally. Yellow flowers on four foot stems. 15c pkt.

Chamomile—*Anthemis arvensis*. Annual emerald rosettes of finely-cut leaves covered with daisy blossoms all summer. 18 in. Sun. 20c pkt.

Chervil—*Anthriscus cerefolium*. Lacy parsley-like annual salad herb of exquisite flavor. Needs shading in mid-summer. 18 in. 25c pkt.

Chives—*Allium schoenoprasum*. Perennial clumps of white bulblets with hollow, mildly onion-flavored leaves which may be cut repeatedly for seasoning. 18 in. Sun. 15c pkt.

Siberian Chives—A larger-leaved, showier-blossomed variety with generous purple pompoms taller than the pungent leaves. 25c pkt.

Sweet Cicely—*Myrrhis odorata*. Ferny-leaved perennial with lovely white blossoms in May. Scented like the exotic perfume for which it is named. Seeds take nine months to come up. If planted in the fall they germinate in the spring. 18 in. Shade. 25c pkt.

Coriander—*Coriandrum sativum*. Early-flowered annual with umbels of delicate pink. Pleasant tasting round seeds used in cookies. 18 in. Sun. 10c pkt.

Cress, Water—*Nasturtium officinale*. A spicy, vitamin-rich salad green. Biennial needing a moist situation. 25c pkt.

Dill—*Anethum graveolens*. Rapidly maturing annual with thread-like leaves of the same sour-sweet flavor as the seeds. Whole heads are used to make pickles. 3 ft. Full sun. 10c pkt.

Elecampane—*Inula helenium*. The huge leathery leaved herb with yellow dandelion-like flowers which Helen of Troy is supposed to have clutched as she was carried away. Perennial, 4 ft. Sun or shade. 25c pkt.

Fennel Flower—*Nigella sativus*. Trim, finely cut-leaved annual with blue flowers followed by savory black seeds which may be substituted for Poppy seeds on bread and rolls. 18 in. Sun. 25c pkt.

Fennel, Sweet—*Foeniculum vulgare*. A tender perennial with leaves and seeds of stronger flavor, used for seasoning and tea. 4 ft. 25c pkt.

Florence Fennel, Finocchio—*Foeniculum vulgare dulce*. Annual salad herb with enlarged basal stems of sweet warm flavor which are eaten like celery. 3 ft. Sun. 10c pkt.

Flax—*Linum usitatissimum*. Annual Flax is the source of Linseed oil. The shiny brown seeds of medicinal property ripen in July. 3 ft. 15c pkt.

Blue Flax—*Linum perenne*. Ornamental perennial variety treasured for its lovely pale blue flowers. Each day a new set of blossoms opens all through the summer. 2½ ft. Sun. 20c pkt.

Horehound—*Marrubium vulgare*. Wrinkled grey leaves on sprawling downy stems give a warm bitter flavor to Horehound candy. Hardy perennial for hot dry site. 18 in. Sun. 15c pkt.

Blue Hyssop—*Hyssopus officinalis*. Long lasting deep blue spikes in flower from June through October. Thrifty perennial with glossy dark almost evergreen foliage. 2 ft. Sun or part shade. 15c pkt.

Pink Hyssop—Identical narrow pungent leaves on erect shrubby persistent stems but flowers are pale pink. 15c pkt.

White Hyssop—A border of pink, blue and white flowering Hyssop makes a charming two foot hedge whether it is clipped like box or allowed to bloom continually. 25c pkt.

Lamb's Ears—*Stachys lanata*. A perennial with woolly, tongue-shaped leaves in thick mats which send up flannelly square stalks with purplish flowers in June. 18 in. Sun. 25c pkt.

Lavender—*Lavandula vera*. Shrubby grey leaved tender perennial with branching stems and deep lavender flowers of the same sweet, clean scent. Spikes are dried for sachets just before the buds open. 18 in. Sun. 25c pkt.

Leek—*Allium porrum*. Bulbous white ends of the broad leaves are used as a vegetable or to season soups. Perennial onion-flavored herb ready for pulling the second year. 3 ft. Sun. 10c pkt.

Lovage—*Levisticum officinale*. Tall golden-flowered perennial of rich celery-like flavor. Segmented, bright green leaves used fresh or dried in meat dishes. 5 ft. Part shade. 25c pkt.

Mountain Mint—*Pycnanthemum pilosum*. Native perennial herb with small white or purplish flowers in heads and leaves with strong mint-like scent. 25c pkt.

Sweet Marjoram, Knotted Marjoram—*Majorana hortensis*. One of the choicest culinary herbs with velvety, aromatic foliage. White flowers in curious knotted clusters. Tender perennial, grown as an annual. 12 in. Sun. 25c pkt.

Wild Marjoram—*Origanum vulgare*. Taller hardy perennial with spreading root stock and a profusion of pink flowers born in flat-topped clusters in August. 2½ ft. Sun or part shade. 10c pkt.

Mignonette—*Reseda odorata*. Old-fashioned favorite annual, with small but intensely fragrant flowers. Part shade, 1½ ft. 20c pkt.

Mugwort—*Artemisia vulgaris*. Perennial with divided leaves, dark green above, silver beneath. Rank spreader. 3 ft. Sun. 25c pkt.

Nept—*Nepeta mussini*. Fragrant little relative to Catnip with downy wrinkled leaves and blue flowers in May. Perennial. 10 in. Sun or shade. 25c pkt.

Curly Parsley—*Petroselinum crispum*. Curly-leaved biennial which makes a good border for beds of vegetables or herbs. Rich source of Vitamin A. and C. 2 ft. Sun or part shade. 10c pkt.

Flat-leaved Parsley — Italian Parsley—*Petroselinum latifolium*. Large flat-leaved type with greater pungency especially suited for drying. The full crowns resemble celery plants. 3 ft. Sun. 10c pkt.

English Pennyroyal—*Mentha pulegium*. Creeping perennial with leaves roundly ovate, flowers lavender in widely spaced whorls. 10 in. Sun or part shade. 25c pkt.

Perilla, Beefsteak Plant—*Perilla frutescens crispa*. Deep purple curly leaves on much branched annual stems. Contrasts well with greens and greys of the Artemisias. 3 ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

Roquette, Salad Rocket—*Eruca sativa*. Leaves for salad like cress in less than two months. An annual which should be used when young and tender. 2½ ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

Rosemary—*Rosemarinus officinalis*. Tender evergreen shrub-like herb with aromatic narrow leaves used in cooking. No seed available.

Rue—*Ruta graveolens*. Perennial medicinal herb with delightfully patterned blue-green foliage which remains almost evergreen. Four-petaled yellow flowers in mid-summer. 2½ ft. Sun 25c pkt.

Safflower, False Saffron—*Carthamus tinctorius*. Annual herb with prickly leaves, yellow thistle-like blossoms. The dried petals are substituted in commerce for expensive true Saffron. 3 ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

Sage—*Salvia Officinalis*. Makes long-lived evergreen perennial with woody stems and pebbled grey leaves of pungent flavor. Showy blue flowers in May are attractive to bees. 2½ ft. Sun. 10c pkt.

Clary Sage—*Salvia sclarea*. Curious old medicinal herb with huge, hairy, heart-shaped leaves and shining spikes of blue and white flowers. 4 ft. Sun. Biennial. 25c pkt.

Summer Savory—*Satureja hortensis*. The name of this annual herb describes its enticing goodness. It has such an affinity for string beans that it has been called bean herb or bohenkraut. Narrow leaves, pink flowers in July. 18 in. Sun. 10c pkt.

Winter Savory—*Satureja montana*. Low perennial rock plant of similar flavor with dark evergreen foliage, white flowers. 12 in. Sun. 25c pkt.

Sesame, Bene—*Sesamum indicum*. Tender annual with pinkish white blossoms resembling Foxglove. Ripe seeds roasted for spicing cookies. 3 ft. Sun. 20c pkt.

Skirret—*Siuum sisarum*. Perennial pot herb with white flowers and fleshy roots which may be eaten like Parsnips. 3 ft. Sun. 25c pkt.

Smallage, Wild Cherry—*Apium graveolens*—Aromatic celery seeds used for seasoning. An annual which needs no blanching. 3 ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

Spotted Monarda, Horsemint—*Monarda punctata*. Late flowering perennial with arresting yellow blossoms spotted with purple. The flower whorls are made more conspicuous by the variegated bracts of rosy hues. 2½ ft. Sun or part shade. 25c pkt.

French Sorrel—*Rumex scutatus*. Soup herb with arrow-shaped leaves. A hardy perennial which provides one of the first greens in the garden in the spring. 2 ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

French Tarragon—*Artemisia dracunculus*. The distinctive salad herb propagated only by cuttings or divisions. No seed available.

English Thyme—*Thymus vulgaris*. Erect, shrubby little evergreen with broad fragrant leaves used in cooking. 10 in. Sun. 15c pkt.

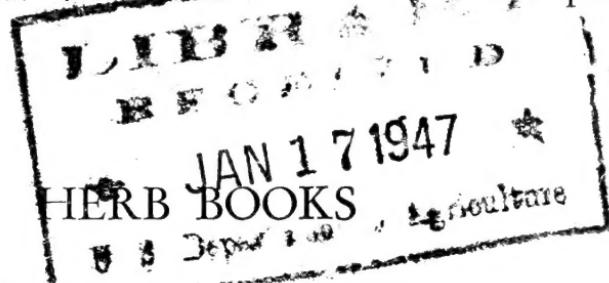
French Thyme—*Thymus vulgaris fragrantissimus*. Narrow grey leaves, pink flowers in May. Less hardy but more delicately flavored. 25c pkt.

Tansy—*Tanacetum vulgare*. A perennial with dark green pinnate leaves of strong scent. Bright yellow button flowers in late summer. 3 ft. Sun. 15c pkt.

Woad—*Isatis tinctoria*. Broad leaved biennial with yellow flowers. An old dyers herb used to give deep blue color to cloth. 20c pkt.

Sweet Wormwood—*Artemisia annua*. Intensely fragrant annual with feathery foliage. Makes a verdant background for bright flowers. Keeps its sweet odor when dried. 6 ft. Sun. 25c pkt.

Wormwood—*Artemisia absinthium*. Silvery segmented leaves of this hardy perennial are used in making liqueurs and liniments. Good foil for Purple Basil and Perilla. 4 ft. Sun. 25c pkt.



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Since our move from New Jersey in May 1946, we have tried to build up a supply of herb plants, but the quantity is not sufficient to warrant a listing at this time. For near-by gardeners, we will have a selected list of Plants ready about May 20th for those who visit the Farm. Write for a list about that time and directions for reaching us.

We will probably not have sufficient supplies of Dried Herb Products until Fall of 1947 when you will receive a list of our many offerings in this line.

We invite your comments as to how the various herbs grow in your locality and will try to help you with any special Herb Garden problem you may have. We wish you a very successful season and hope that you will get as much enjoyment from growing them as we do.

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